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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on February 12, 2003. That Office Action requested that an Information Disclosure Statement be filed and that a Terminal Disclaimer be filed to overcome an outstanding obviousness double patenting rejection. The Information Disclosure Statement and Terminal Disclaimer are now enclosed. This should make claims 45-48, 50-52 and 54-61 in condition for allowance. Such action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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